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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN STATEWIDE METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR SETTING PAYMENT RATES

SUBJECT: MassHealth: Rates for MassHealth Transitional Living Program Providers

AGENCY: Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services

SUMMARY: MassHealth Proposed Rate Changes for Transitional Living Program Providers

Effective December 1, 2022

DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES:

The following are proposed changes to rates for transitional living program (TLP) providers (for personal care services). These rates are effective for dates of service provided on and after December 1, 2022.

TLP Provider	Previous Rate (for reference)	Rate Effective December 1, 2022
	Per Diem Rate	Per Diem Rate
Advocates, Inc., Douglas House	\$207.53	\$228.62
Advocates, Inc., McLaughlin House	\$288.29	\$317.58
Advocates, Inc., Warren House	\$247.60	\$272.76
CCHIP House	\$206.73	\$227.73

The rates effective December 1, 2022, include the application of a cost adjustment factor (CAF) of 10.16% to existing rates. The CAF was derived from the optimistic Spring 2022 forecast of the Massachusetts-Specific Consumer Price Index developed by IHS Markit. The CAF was developed using a retrospective base period of quarter two of calendar year 2021 (2021Q2) and a prospective rate period of quarter four of calendar year 2022 through quarter three of calendar year 2024 (2022Q4 through 2024Q3).

The estimated annual aggregate state expenditures as a result of the above changes to TLP provider rates is \$372,706.

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